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**Comments:**

Attached is our response to the Notice of Hearing mailed October 2, 2001, for the above-identified application.

The following paper is attached:

- a. Notice of Hearing Confirmation of Attendance (1 page)

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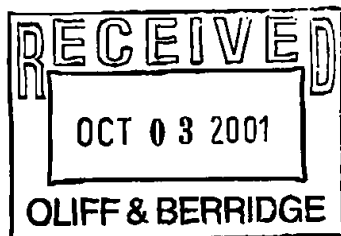
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Your attention is directed to 37 CFR § 1.194(a).

The above identified appeal will be heard by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on the date indicated. Hearings will commence at the time set and as soon as the argument in one appeal is concluded, the succeeding appeal will be taken up.

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37 CFR § 1.136(a) does not apply.

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